

<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/762,538	EGAN ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1.  This communication is responsive to the amendment filed on 11/21/05.
2.  The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 5-10, 12, 16-21, 25, 29, 31-33, 53 and 75-94 to issue as 1-7, 21-27, 12, 32, 19, 20, 39, 40, 8-11, 28-31, 13-18, 33-38, respectively.
3.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a)  All
  - b)  Some\*
  - c)  None
  1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  
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4.  A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5.  CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a)  including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
    - 1)  hereto or 2)  to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b)  including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6.  DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1.  Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2.  Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3.  Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4.  Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5.  Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6.  Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
7.  Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8.  Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9.  Other \_\_\_\_\_.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

Applicant's amendment filed on 21 November 2005 is acknowledged and entered. Following the amendment, claims 23, 27, 34, 36, 37 and 54-74 are canceled, and the new claims 75-94 are added.

Currently, claims 1, 5-10, 12, 16-21, 25, 29, 31-33, 53 and 75-94 are pending and under consideration.

#### **Examiner's Amendment**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Bruce Becker on 05 December 5, 2005.

The application had been amended as follows:

In claim 78, line 2, the word -- or -- has been added before "a GLP-1 peptide".

In claim 82, line 2, the word -- or -- has been added before "a GLP-1 peptide".

In claim 88, line 2, the word -- or -- has been added before "a GLP-1 peptide".

In claim 94, line 2, the word -- or -- has been added before "a GLP-1 peptide".

#### **Conclusion:**

Claims 1, 5-10, 12, 16-21, 25, 29, 31-33, 53 and 75-94 are allowed.

The allowed claims 1, 5-10, 12, 16-21, 25, 29, 31-33, 53 and 75-94 have been renumbered for issuance as the following:

<u>Current claim number</u>	<u>Issuance number</u>	<u>Current claim number</u>	<u>Issuance number</u>
1	1	12	21
5	2	16	22
6	3	17	23
7	4	18	24

8	5	19	25
9	6	20	26
10	7	21	27
75	8	79	28
76	9	80	29
77	10	81	30
78	11	82	31
25	12	29	32
83	13	89	33
84	14	90	34
85	15	91	35
86	16	92	36
87	17	93	37
88	18	94	38
31	19	33	39
32	20	53	40

**Advisory Information:**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dong Jiang whose telephone number is 571-272-0872. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 am - 7:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony Caputa can be reached on 571-272-0829. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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